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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

SIR:

Applicants hereby petition to have the Notice of Abandonment, dated July 8, 2002 for the above-identified patent application withdrawn. The following facts are pertinent:

Applicants received a Notification of Missing Requirements mailed October 30, 2001 for the above application. In response to the Notice of Missing Requirements, applicant forwarded via Express Mail on May 29, 2002, the Response To Missing Requirements.

Copies of the Response To Missing Requirements, which also included a five month extension of time, signed Declaration and Power of Attorney and postcard bearing the PTO acknowledgment stamp date of May 29, 2002 are enclosed.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that the Response To Missing Requirement, five month extension of time and Declaration and Power Of Attorney sent via Express Mail on May 29, 2002 were timely filed, and that the Notice of Abandonment was issued as a result of a Patent Office error. It is therefore respectfully requested that this abandonment be withdrawn.

As this petition was necessitated by Patent Office error, no fee is believed to be required. However, if any fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

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Respectfully submitted,

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